

A RESIDENT of Ronkonkoma, L. I., possesses a gold watch which formerly belonged to the ill-fated Marie Antoinette. It is about the size of a trade dollar in circumference, and is open-faced. On the back it bears the device of the French Queen, a cupid on a cloud, worked in gold and silver. The features of the boy god are nearly effaced by long wear. The legend the owner gives is that the watch was the gift of the Queen to the architect of the Tuilleries, who shot himself through the head on the day following her execution by the revolutionists. Its present owner was a near relative of a well-known American poet, now dead. The watch came into his possession through marriage, as a gift from his wife's father, who is a direct descendant of the original recipient.

CHIEF SALIN, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, lately submitted a voluminous report on the subject of contagious diseases among animals to Dr. Loring, Commissioner of Agriculture. The recent outbreak among Kansas herds was attributed to ergotism, due to eating fungus known as *Claviceps purpurea*. The treatment which has been commonly laid down for animals with the disease will be consulted with interest by stock-raisers everywhere.

A few dozen working days will see the Washington monument completed, and by February 23 next will witness its public dedication. Standing 333 feet and ten inches to its base, it now ranks as the highest structure in the world, its nearest rival being the lofty spire of the Cologne cathedral.

MONTREAL, CAN., lately underwent a double affliction—diphtheria and typhoid fever—the result of defective sewerage.

THE *Wanderer*, a passenger and mail steamer, was wrecked on the Cornwallis shoal, N. Y., on the New West Street Road, a

There were two hundred and eleven churches in the United States and twenty-two parades during the past two weeks of November. The average of twenty over the preceding week.

ARTHUR H. JANNEY, Deputy State Treasurer of California, was recently arrested, charged with the embezzlement of public funds. He confessed the theft of \$60, which he gambled away.

W. HOLCOMB and Judd Crouch were indicted for the murder of Jack Adams, of Mich., on the charge of being implicated in the mysterious murder of the ally.

DISTINCT shocks of an earthquake were felt a few days ago at Colchester and Weymouth, Essex County, Ontario, and at St. John's, New Brunswick, and at Concord, Hopkinton, and Woburn, Bradford and Middlesex counties, Massachusetts.

SERVICES commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the consecration of Samuel Seabury, the first American Episcopal Bishop, were held recently at Trinity Church, New York, and Christ Church,

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WALDEN JONES, of the Penitentiary, recently made settlement with the Auditor General, and the following items were paid: rent, \$10,787.08; water works, \$257.98; cash received and paid into the State Treasury, \$10,938.59; coal supplied to State institutions during the month, 20,854 bushels; coal for the month, 95,695 bushels.

A REPORT having gained currency that the Hessian fly was doing great damage to the wheat crop, inquiry at the office of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture resulted in the following information: No report, and nothing had been heard of this pest from any source, although reports had come in from correspondents in every county in the State.

AT THE next thing of the late election was the sending of a handsome bouquet to Mrs. John A. Martin by Mrs. G. W. Glick when the result for Governor became known. Residents of the same ward, and the same street, the Glicks, making the race for the same office, this incident was

Conway, of Little Rock, and Dr. J. J. Robbins, of Malvern. While hunting on the banks of the river, the two became separated, and the Doctor discovered his gun into a porcupine which he discharged moving. A portion of the contents of his weapon, loaded with bird shot, entered Mr. Conway's head, and he was killed. He was feared he may lose the sight of his eyes. The gentlemen are all fast friends.

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**VANDALIA, Ill., November 15.**—A party of hunters belonging to this city, while returning home last evening, met with an accident near town. It being dark, the driver could not see the way clearly, and in driving over a bridge one of the front wheels slipped off, and striking a projecting timber brought the vehicle to a sudden stop, upon the top of which the driver and passengers were thrown. One man was violently cut upon the head, and another was thrown from the vehicle, and was otherwise injured internally. The remainder of the party safely escaped with slight injuries. The driver became detached from the wagon and is now in the hospital.

men from the Cœur d'Alene mines, large numbers of men are leaving daily for the mines. Parties coming in from along the line of the Canadian Pacific Railroad by the road is being crushed energetically, but 270 miles yet remains uncovered. A large force is employed at their end.

**Uncle Sam's Gun Foundry Board.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., November 8.  
Members of the Gun Foundry Board of the United States Government went to Bethlehem Iron Works, at Bethlehem, yesterday morning. They returned last evening. There will be no further general conference until the next manufacturers' meeting, though the Board will continue to hold meetings at the rooms of the American Iron and Steel Association, for the purpose of talking with individuals with whom they have business transactions. The next place to be visited is the Pennsylvania Steel Works, at Steelton, near Harrisburg, whither the Board will go next.